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SUPPLEMENT

Flensburg

1. Propaganda is being circulated to the effect that the elections in Flensburg were not fairly conducted. This activity is being carried on by the German parties in Flensburg in an attempt to give the impression that German factions lost out through swindle.

Husum

- 2. The CDU now has a majority in the town council under the leadership of Melerski who formerly tried to prove that he was a Polish citizen but now has become a German national and to a great extent disregards the rights of the Danish group.
- 3. Because of the very peculiar election rules of the British, the CDU with 10,400 votes have gained sixteen representatives, while the Danish group with 9,300 votes were given only three. It is noteworthy, however, that more of the CDU and SPD representatives -- Mayor Fuus, for example, are very closely allied with the South Slesvig Society.

Slesvig

- 4. The Danish-minded Social Democrats in Slesvig are now planning to work together with their associates in Flensburg in presenting a petition for recognition as a Social Democratic local party. (The parties are, of course, recognized on the basis of area.) It is thought that there is some chance of success now after the elections, since the Danish orientated Social Democrats in Flensburg have been given the right to continue on, and the election results gave evidence of the strength of the party. It is hoped to extend this course of action to include Husum. The final aim is to have the Social Democratic Party recognized in all of South Slesvig.
- 5. The organization of former concentration camp immates in Sleavig has been recreanized. This was done under the leadership of a representative of the central organization in Hamburg. Peter Krey, the well-known leader of the Social Democrats, was elected president and Kuhr was named second in command. Both men are members of the South Sleavig Society. When Mr. Windel of South Brarup at a meeting 25 October expressed strong opposition to the election of Krey on the grounds that he is Danish, he was severly criticized by the Hamburg representatives who maintained that the organization was an international one comprising twenty-two nations and that the Danes had been their best comrades in the camps and had saved many German prisoners from death by starvation.

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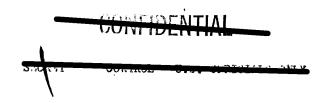
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6. The moubership of the South Slesvin Society was distributed as follows on the dates indicated below:

Community	1 Jan. 146	1 April '46	1 July '46	1 Oct. '48						
Flensburg City	6,009	11,871	20,021	26,338						
Flensburg County	827	2,223	3,600	4,853						
Sydtender County	637	1,605	2,022	2,742						
Gottorp County	2,646	5,327	8,246	10,408						
Husum County	354	1,568	2,689	3,399						
Ejdorsted County	259	1,625	2,500	2,650						
Rendsburg. North County	105	570	1,925	2,600						
Regernitorde County	54	291	2,227	3,328						
The Frisian-Slesvian Society (Society for Frisian										
Mationals)	. 910	2,500	3,619	4,240						
Totals	11,801	27,581	46,849	60,558						



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